

## FOOTBALL KEEPS UP ITS TOLL OF LIVES

Sixteen Deaths of Players Recorded This Year, Against Fourteen Last Year.

### LIST OF INJURED SHORTER

Includes Forty-one Seriously Hurt, Compared with Sixty-seven in 1911 and Forty-three in 1910.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.) Chicago, Nov. 24.—Sixteen deaths and forty-one persons seriously injured were the cost of football during the year 1912. This shows a falling off in the number injured from the two previous years. In 1911 fourteen persons were killed and sixty-seven seriously injured, and in 1910 there were fourteen killed and forty-three injured.

The season also shows a smaller list of victims among the college players. This year there were thirty college men hurt and one man killed. Three college players were killed in 1911 and four injured. In 1910 there were four killed and nineteen injured.

Among the high school players also there was a decrease in the number of fatalities. Three of the players who represented the minor schools were killed this year, as compared with six in 1911 and five in 1910. The number of injured was nine this year, as compared with twenty in 1911 and thirteen in 1910. Three of the fatalities this year were the result of injuries received in contests of previous seasons.

**Details of Casualties.**  
The following table shows the casualties of football in 1912, as compared with former years:

DEATHS.	1912.	1911.	1910.
High school players	4	5	5
College players	1	3	3
Other players	11	6	6
Totals	16	14	14

  

CAUSES OF DEATH.	1912.	1911.	1910.
Body blown	5	1	1
Injuries to spine	4	3	2
Injuries to brain	4	3	2
Internal bleeding	1	1	1
Other causes	1	6	7
Totals	15	14	14

  

INJURED.	1912.	1911.	1910.
College players	30	40	43
High school players	10	19	19
Grade school players	2	6	10
Amateur club players	0	0	0
Totals	42	65	72

The following is a list of the dead and how they were killed:

Earl Close, at Illinois, Ill., November 20; member of the Illinois High School football team; seventeen years old. Received internal injuries in a game with the Auburn High School eleven. He lived four days.  
Leonard Cummings, at Pittsburg, Nov. 20; member of the Dunmore High School eleven; eighteen years old. Four days before his death his neck was broken in a game with the West Pittsburg team.  
William Conner, at Pittsburg, November 22; eighteen years old. Died from internal injuries received in a game with the Auburn High School eleven.  
Clair Fitzgerald, at Omaha, November 18; eighteen years old. His neck was broken in a game at Valley, Neb. He lived three days.  
Hugo Gell, at Oregon, Mo., October 28; high school player. He died from concussion of the brain.  
Charles E. Hines, Jr., at Haverford, November 21. He was on Haverford College team and died from internal injuries.  
James Lynch, at Bridgeport, Conn., October 20. He was twenty years old, and death was due to fracture of the spine.  
Amos Teasdale, at Burlington, N. J., November 14; grammar school player. He died from internal injuries.  
Acton Schorner, at Longmont, Col., October 25. He died from a fractured skull.  
Lane Mason, at Indianapolis. He received fatal injuries in a game at Mount Pleasant, Ill., on February 7.  
Edward Sullivan, at McKeesport, Penn., October 15. He was eight years old. He was killed in a game with the McKeesport Olympics. In a game with the Johnston All Stars Sullivan's skull was crushed during a scrimmage.  
L. V. Robinson, at Merrill, Wis., September 23; fourteen years old. He was knocked unconscious, sustaining concussion of the brain, and lived only a few days.  
William White, aged sixteen, at Nashville, Tenn., November 2. A week before his death he was injured in a game and was taken to Nashville for an operation for appendicitis, but was too weak to undergo it. He was a member of the Brainerd Hughes football team, Spring Hill, Tenn.

### WIDOW PLAYS IN LUCK

Goes to Keep House for Millionaire, Will Become His Wife.

Several persons from Jamaica, members of prominent families, are to go to Philadelphia to-morrow to attend the wedding of Asa S. Wing, president of one of the largest stockholders in the Provident Life and Trust Company of that city, to Mrs. Elizabeth Wood, widow of Joseph R. Wood, formerly a well known Jamaica druggist. Mr. Wing is reputed to be rich.

Mr. Wing is sixty years old, while the bride-to-be is thirty-seven. He was a cousin of the bride's first husband. Mr. Wood died in 1911, and left his wife in straitened circumstances, with four children to look after.

Finding herself without means and a family to care for, Mrs. Wood started out to make a living for them, but was having a hard time, when she was visited by Mr. Wing. He suggested to her that, as he was a widower, it would be perfectly agreeable to him to have her come and look after his home, and he said that the children could be cared for there. Mrs. Wood's stay in Mr. Wing's home has resulted in a proposal of marriage. The invitation to attend the wedding was the first intimation friends and relatives in Jamaica had of the turn of affairs.

### ACTOR KILLS HIMSELF

Young Thespian, Formerly with Otis Skinner, Inhales Gas.

Alfred Hudson, Jr., twenty-seven years old, an actor, who lived in a furnished room at No. 240 West 45th street, killed himself yesterday morning by inhaling illuminating gas. He was found by his father, Alfred Hudson, who occupied an adjoining room. The father's attention was called to the room by an expressman, who while delivering a trunk detected the odor of gas. They attempted to get into the room and finally called a policeman, who forced the door. The young man was found in bed, with two gas jets turned on. A letter addressed to his father was on a bureau.

The father refused to make public the contents of the letter, but said his son was despondent because he had been out of work for a month. The last engagement the young man had, according to his father, was with Otis Skinner on a tour through the West.

### "SUB" POSTMEN COMPLAIN

Wait Too Long for Regular Job, Main Grievance.

The question of the average length of time a substitute letter carrier must serve before being appointed to a regular place and the salary received upon appointment was discussed at a meeting under the auspices of the New York Letter Carriers' Association on Saturday night in the parish house of St. Paul's Church, Vesey and Church streets.

The meeting was attended by nearly two hundred substitute carriers from New York City and Jersey towns. Ferdinand H. Douglass, president, and Edward H. Rockwell, of the National Letter Carriers' Association, spoke on the subject.

The main grievance of the men, as made public last night, is the fact that the substitute has to serve four and one-half years on an average before he is appointed a regular. During that time he has to depend upon the absence of a regular carrier for work. Another grievance is the fact that the men have to report every morning at 6 o'clock, and, if not put to work, remain in the postoffice or station eight or nine hours without compensation. In one city it was said, a substitute carrier was ordered to do janitor's work at the postoffice. The third grievance put before the meeting was the amount of salary, \$600 a year, the substitute receives on being appointed a regular carrier. This, it was contended, is not enough to live on.

The National Association of Letter Carriers and the New York Letter Carriers' Association are in hearty sympathy with the substitutes in their demands, and are backing them. It was said that the union could be organized to Congress asking that these demands be granted. A petition was forwarded to the Postmaster General.

### TURKISH WAR BABY HERE

Infant Son of Interpreter Born Under Stress.

A Turkish infant, born yesterday at Trieste, Trieste and Naples, had on board a distinguished traveler. His name was Richard Fowle. The infant was born to a mother who was in a state of great stress and strain, and was the result of a love affair between the mother and a man who was in the army.

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### GIBSON NOT AFRAID; IS SURE OF ACQUITTAL

Approves of Capital Punishment, but Says Conviction Is Difficult.

OTHER CHARGES FACE HIM

Expects to Have to Answer for Death of Mrs. Kinnaird or J. R. O'Neill—Verdict Expected To-night.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.) Goshen, N. Y., Nov. 24.—Burton W. Gibson, whose life hangs in the balance as he stands charged with the murder of Mrs. Rosa M. Szabo, with a mass of evidence accumulated against him already presented to the jury by the prosecution and with his own defense shattered by the testimony in rebuttal, declared to-night in his cell that he believed in capital punishment as the penalty for murder.

"I firmly believe in the death penalty," he said. "Any man who commits murder willfully and with premeditation deserves to forfeit his life to the state." He uttered these words with a solemnity that showed that he meant them. The declaration was made following a discussion of a number of murder cases in which the highest penalty had been exacted. Gibson engaged freely in the conversation, without emotion and yet without bravado. His declaration came as a rejoinder to an opinion expressed against capital punishment, and when some one ventured to compliment him on his apparently unshaken nerve he replied that it was not a case of nerve.

"I don't want to seem to pretend to be anything but an ordinary man," he went on. "Being a lawyer, I fully believe in our jury system. From experience in our courts I realize how difficult it is to make twelve carefully chosen men return a verdict of death. I am absolutely without fear for myself, because the prosecution has utterly failed to prove that a crime has been committed in this instance," he said.

**Expects Other Trial for Murder.**  
On this basis he has made his plans for the future. After the acquittal, he said he expects, on the murder charge, on less fully expected further prosecution for other criminal charges, possibly for perjury in connection with Mrs. Szabo's case. At best, should they result in conviction, would mean years in jail for him. But he said he would meet all these contingencies as courageously as he has the murder charge. He even admitted that he might be brought to trial for the murder of Mrs. Alice C. D. Kinnaird or of John R. O'Neill, but thought of this did not appear to affect him.

"I'll go straight to District Attorney Whitman," he said, "when I am freed and place myself at his disposal. I mean to square myself. I think that is the manly thing to do. Whitman is fair; he understands these things better than his subordinates." Gibson was before Whitman, then a magistrate, in the Kinnaird affair.

Despite his confidence, Gibson frankly admits that he is ruined as a man and as a lawyer. "I shall never take up my life again," he said. "That is impossible now. But I want to start over on a clean basis. I am ruined financially, but I will not only exhaust my means, but I will not be in debt. But I'll be capable of making my way. I've received advice already that I do not care to make public now. I shall get along; that is not worrying me. It is the disgrace and the humiliation of my family that affect me most."

Then he went on in the same unemotional tones to discuss the injustice the law may do a man, despite his faith in the law.

"You ask me why I did not take the stand in my own behalf," he said. "But I did not want to give the prosecutors the chance to take further advantage of me to help them in other cases they doubtless intend to press against me."

Then he began to discuss in analytical fashion the details of the case, repeating his assertion of yesterday that most of the evidence against him was manufactured. Dr. Otto H. Schultze, whose expert evidence that Mrs. Szabo's throat proved she had been strangled is the mainstay of the prosecution, he seemed to deem hardly worth discussing.

As to Mrs. George Teichmann, who testified he told her Mrs. Szabo knew he had been in the room, Gibson said he had never met her in his life. Gibson characterized John S. Minturn, Jr., who gave damaging testimony, as a liar, declaring that he had twice things about in his head and had finally come to believe himself what he said. He admitted that he had made a mistake, but that he was not to the extent that they had twisted simple facts in their testimony.

Although Gibson said he thought the trial had been fair, he said that there were plenty of reversible errors on which to base an appeal, but he reiterated his belief that an acquittal would make this unnecessary.

**Says Fate Wrecked His Life.**  
Gibson reverted again to the other cases that have darkened his career, saying that fate and no act of his own had wrecked his life, although he said, his soul was safe, speaking as if his conversation with a clergyman, who has seen him often in his cell, had effected him. He clings particularly to the affection and loyal faith his wife has shown for him throughout his troubles. All the rest of the world Gibson believes is against him.

"Poor girl," he said of his wife. "She is standing by me no matter. It has been a long, terrible strain for her. She is almost worn out, but the end is in sight. She and I and my little daughter will have Thanksgiving dinner together at our home in Rutherford."

To-morrow probably will be the last day of the trial. With the possible exception of two witnesses, there remains nothing but the summing up by both sides and the charge by Judge Tompkins. Then late in the afternoon it is expected that the jury will take up the final consideration of the case and a verdict is expected before midnight.

Acquittal, however, may not mean the fulfillment of Gibson's hope to spend Thanksgiving Day at home. It is almost certain that he will be arrested again at once should the prison doors be opened for him.

"Gibson will not leave court a free man," remarked Isidor Wasservogel, Assistant District Attorney, who is prosecuting the case, and who better than any one is in a position to know what awaits Gibson at the hand of his chief, Charles S. Whitman. It is known that Mr. Whitman has taken more than passing personal interest in this case, and that he sent his two assistants, Wasservogel and Murphy, to press the case, as well as the Grand Jury authorities the facilities of his office, because he felt the ends of justice demanded it.

**WOMAN SHOT IN RENO DIES**  
Mrs. Baggott Denounced Slayer, Who Took His Life.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.) Reno, Nev., Nov. 24.—Mrs. Estelle Baggott, wife of Lee Baggott, a New York lace manufacturer, died here to-day as a result of being shot by Harry S. Weems, who committed suicide at Moana Springs on Friday. The disposition of the body awaits word from her father, C. E. Wondery, of St. Louis.

A note left by Weems said: "This woman has ruined my life. I spent every dollar for her clothes and demands and let her pay the penalty. She has already ruined her life and her husband's, whom she comes here to get rid of."

Mrs. Baggott had said of the shooting: "It was a dirty, cowardly thing. I never gave the man any encouragement, and I have always tried to keep away from him, but he followed me up. The most foolish thing I ever did was to consent to go bathing with him at Moana Springs."

Unrest in Reno's divorce colony has followed the tragedy. The divorce opinion respecting the divorce of this state has been intensified and predictions are general that the Legislature, which is to convene in two months, will make the statute more stringent.

**FLYNN BACK AS SLEUTH**  
Resumes Duties with Local Secret Service Division.

William J. Flynn has resumed his duties with the New York division of the United States Secret Service, a post he resigned two months ago to assist the Curran aldermanic committee in its investigation of the police.

Although the investigation of the committee will continue, it is not probable that a successor to Mr. Flynn will be chosen. Whether the holding up of Mr. Flynn's pay recently by Mayor Gaynor forced him to resign or he did so in expectation that he might be made head of the United States Secret Service could not be ascertained last night. Neither Mr. Flynn nor any of the men connected with the Curran aldermanic committee would say anything regarding the affair.

### WILLIAM F. MONYPENNY

British Journalist and Biographer of Disraeli Dies, Aged 46.

(By Cable to The Tribune.) London, Nov. 24.—William Flavelle Monypenny, director of the Times Publishing Company, died to-day, at the age of forty-six. His authoritative biography of Disraeli has been extensively and favorably reviewed this month in the leading British publications, thus bringing his name prominently before the public. He was assistant editor of "The Times," 1894-99, going to South Africa in the latter year to edit "The Johannesburg Star," resigning (after seeing active service in the Boer war) in 1903.

### CHILD CHOKED TO DEATH

Left Alone, It Tried to Swallow a Piece of Apple.

Celia Altman, eleven months old, of No. 22 Mangin street, was choked to death by a piece of apple at her home late yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. Altman left the child alone in the kitchen for a few minutes. During her absence little Celia took a piece of apple from a bowl and placed it in her mouth. The mother, returning, found the child choking, her face discolored. Finding her efforts to remove the piece of apple ineffectual, Mrs. Altman ran into the street and called a policeman, who summoned an ambulance from Gouverneur Hospital. The ambulance surgeon found the child dead.

### BRITON A SUICIDE AT SEA

Passenger on Booth Liner Found with Throat Cut.

Leslie Ferdinand Starkey, an Englishman, well dressed and said to be wealthy, committed suicide on board the Booth liner Christopher, which arrived here yesterday from Para, Trinidad and Barbados.

Starkey, who was twenty-seven years old, boarded the Christopher at the last named port on November 16. He was accompanied by several friends, who remained with him until the steamer was ready to sail, and, according to the ship's officers, was in excellent spirits.

On the following morning, when Starkey did not appear for breakfast, Walter Kass, a bedroom steward, knocked at his door, and on getting no response went in with a pass key.

In the bathroom attached to the stateroom Kass found Starkey lying in the bathtub with his throat cut. When the ship's surgeon declared that the man had been dead several hours the body was prepared for burial and lowered into the sea. Captain Davies ordered that his baggage and trunks be sealed and turned over to the British Consul.

**'FRAME-UP,' SAYS FURLONG**  
Ex-Magistrate Sees Plot by His Daughter.

Hackensack, N. J., Nov. 24.—Ex-Magistrate Henry J. Furlong, of Brooklyn, who was arrested at his home, near Ramsey, last night on a Brooklyn bench warrant charging him with forgery, declared with emphasis to-day that he would prove his innocence.

"I'm innocent of this serious charge; I'm innocent," declared the elderly man. "My daughter, Ruby, wants to take my home away from me, that's all, and this awful charge against me is a 'frame-up.' I want them to let me alone, so that I can live here the remainder of my days in peace and quietness. I never forgave my wife's name to that dead, as my daughter charges me."

According to rumor, the indictment on which the bench warrant was issued contained three counts, alleging forgery, perjury and conspiracy.

The amount of property involved is said to be about \$100,000.

The forgery count is said to be based on the charge that the ex-magistrate signed his wife's name to deeds that conveyed valuable Harlem property to him.

The alleged forgery occurred after Mrs. Furlong's death. The perjury count is said to be based on his alleged false swearing, as administrator of the property, to affidavits certifying to the correctness of the deeds. The third count is said to have been found because of his alleged conversation of the property involved.

On the platform was the widow of Dr. Loeb, while throughout the auditorium were many noted philanthropists, bankers and business men of the community.

Among those present were Oscar Straus, Louis Stern, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Schiff, Silas B. Brownell, the Rev. George Alexander, Samuel Hirsch and Dr. Joseph Silverman.

Dr. Loeb was a son of one of the founders of the banking house of Kuhn, Loeb & Co. He held degrees from Harvard, the University of Berlin, Leipzig and Heidelberg. For fifteen years he was professor of chemistry in the New York University, and for seven years, up to the time of his death last month, he conducted his own laboratory for chemical research.

**INSANE, CHASED BY POLICE**  
Young Man Who Ran from Home Caught and Sent to Bellevue.

Charles Fahlenkett, twenty-four years old, a clerk, living at No. 617 Cortlandt avenue, the Bronx, was removed to Bellevue Hospital from his home yesterday afternoon, after he had become violent. The young man, according to his mother, has suffered for a number of years from epilepsy, and was recently discharged from Craig's Colony Farms, at Doney, N. Y. Three days ago he began to act in an irrational manner, and yesterday morning he was taken to the hospital.

Mrs. Fahlenkett ran to the street and telephoned to the Morrisania station. Patrolman Dooley was sent to the house, and when the young man saw the policeman he ran from his home. With a large crowd following the patrolman pursued the young man through 144th street, two blocks to Melrose avenue. There he was captured.

**YOUNG REPUBLICANS TO DINE**  
Several Governors Invited to Speak at Hotel Astor on December 7.

The New York Young Republican Club will give its second annual dinner at the Hotel Astor on Saturday evening, December 7.

The club has invited several Governors to be present, and it is expected that Governor Hadley of Missouri, Governor McGovern of Wisconsin, Governor Goldsborough of Maryland and others will address the gathering. President Nicholas Murray Butler of Columbia University also has accepted an invitation to speak.

The House of Governors meets at Richmond this year, and will close its session on December 6 in time for the Governors to come on to New York to attend the dinner.

### TABLET FOR MRS. STRAUS

Memorial for Titanic Victim Unveiled at Old People's Home.

INMATES HOLD RECEPTION

Daughters of Jacob, in Wheel Chairs, Welcome Benefactors at Prayer and Song Service.

A bronze tablet to the memory of Ida Straus, who sank with her husband, Isidor Straus, on the Titanic, was unveiled last night in the reception room in the Home of the Daughters of Jacob, at No. 301 East Broadway. The ceremony was opened by a hymn, sung by the Rev. N. Abrahamson and a choir of Jewish boys and girls.

All the morning the old inmates of the home had tottered about the big reception room, happy that they were permitted to have and there touch into shape the decoration on the walls. Then, with the patience that comes with old age, they folded their hands in their laps and quietly awaited the coming of the guests.

Many of them, too old to walk, requested that their chairs be wheeled into position in the reception room, where they might rock themselves to sleep while waiting.

First came Rabbi Abrahamson and his choir of little boys and girls, who, much to the delight of the inmates, practised their songs. The song the old people liked most was "Enosh K'hotzir Jonov." They next, it appeared, loved best to hear the children sing the "Adonim M'Odom." And then, at about 2:30 o'clock, came the guests—nearly five hundred of them—who seemed to be happy to go from chair to chair and bend over and smile a greeting to the very old.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Straus, who had often been there before, wandered about among the old people, leaving them smiling and rocking. And then came Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Straus and Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Straus, all of whom also seemed to know the old men and women. Then there was Dr. Henry Fleischman, and the Rev. Dr. H. P. Mendes. There were many others there who had helped to make comfortable and happy the few remaining years of life left to inmates.

In the throng were Dr. and Mrs. Alfred Hess, Edmund Wise, Henry Green, Rabbi S. M. Margolies and Mrs. Annie Diamond. And soon in came Mrs. Nathan Straus.

There were brief addresses by Dr. Fleischman, the Rev. Philip Jachens and the Rev. H. Maschinsky. He told the old people just how noble a woman was Mrs. Ida Straus, how "her life was beautiful and her death glorious." Some of the old women cried softly during the speaking. Then Elias Surut unveiled the big bronze tablet just before Rabbi Margolies closed the ceremony with prayer.

Mrs. A. J. Dvorsky, president of the home, and Gustavus A. Rogers, president, made the guests farewell. The tablet was purchased by the directors and officers